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**Lewistown Area Fire Restriction and Closure Plan**  
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#### I. Introduction

This Fire Restriction and Closure Plan is an action plan tiered to the Northern Rockies Coordinating Group (NRCG) Restriction and Closure Procedures, dated June 1, 2001. This plan documents the coordination and decision-making process used to implement fire restrictions or closure in the Lewistown Area. Fire restrictions impose many limitations on the general public, and therefore should be implemented only after all other prevention measures have been taken. Closures have an extreme impact on the public and fire agencies, and are discouraged except under the most severe conditions. Closures should be implemented only in situations where the public's safety cannot be guaranteed.

Agencies, tribes and counties included in the Lewistown Restrictions Area will be referred to as the cooperators throughout this document. The cooperators include:

- Bureau of Land Management Lewistown Field Office
- Bureau of Land Management Malta Field Office
- Bureau of Land Management Miles City Field Office
- C.M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge
- Lewis and Clark National Forest
- Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Northeastern Land Office
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Rocky Mountain Regional Office
- Fort Belknap Indian Reservation
- Rocky Boy Indian Reservation
- Fort Peck Indian Reservation
- Counties of Hill, Blaine, Phillips, Valley, Daniels, Sheridan, Roosevelt, Chouteau, Judith Basin, Fergus, Petroleum, Wheatland and Golden Valley

With all Lewistown Area cooperators working together, the decision to implement fire *restrictions* lies with each of the agencies, counties and tribes within that area.

The decision to implement *small-scale closure*, associated with an ongoing incident, lies with the agency administrator, county commissioner or tribal chairperson whose land requires the closure.

The decision to implement *large-scale closure* lies with the agency administrators and tribal leaders in the Northern Rockies Coordinating Group.

This plan will be updated by May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

#### II. Objectives

This plan will provide clear direction and responsibility for the coordination and implementation of fire restrictions and closure within the Lewistown Area.

This plan will provide standardized wording, criteria, and process for implementing fire restrictions and closure.

#### III. Area Location

The Lewistown Fire Restriction Area includes all lands within Hill, Blaine, Phillips, Valley, Daniels, Sheridan, Roosevelt, Chouteau, Judith Basin, Fergus, Petroleum, Golden Valley and Wheatland counties. (See Area map -- Appendix A)

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#### IV. Responsibilities

**Restrictions Coordinator:** a person chosen by the cooperators in each restriction area. This person is responsible for coordination of the fire restriction/closure process and implementation of this plan. Duties include: monitoring the fire restriction guidelines; gathering information from each cooperator needed to make informed decisions; monitoring fire activity, ERC levels, and prevention efforts; notifying the NRCG of the Area's impending restrictions or rescinding of restrictions; communicating with neighboring areas on their activity; coordinating restriction orders/rescinding orders and date of implementation; and working closely with the media coordinator on public notification. (See Appendix B for a list of names.)

**Lead Agency Administrator:** This person may be a Forest Supervisor, State Area Manager, BLM Field Manager, Tribal Chairperson, County Commissioner, etc. or a designee. The Lead Agency Administrator is responsible for ensuring that all agency administrators, tribal chairpersons and county governments are discussing restrictions and resolving issues within the Lewistown Area that cannot be resolved by the agency, county and tribal representatives.

**Agency Administrators:** are the leaders and decision-makers for their respective agencies, counties or tribes.

**Agency/Tribe Representatives:** responsible for monitoring the local fire danger, informing agency administrators, notifying the Area Restrictions Coordinator as conditions indicate the need for fire restrictions, assist as needed to ensure public/agency notification of restrictions.

**DNRC Representative:** an agency representative that serves as the State Liaison. Liaison is responsible for making appropriate contacts with Fish Wildlife and Parks, and notifying state headquarters and state political offices of area's impending restrictions.

**County Representatives:** contacts for counties in the restriction area, often the County DES officer or Fire Warden; liaison for the county commissioners and city officials.

**Media Coordinator:** a person chosen by the cooperators in this restriction area. This person provides media contacts and cooperators with fire restriction press releases and keeps the Media Contact List updated. Works closely with the Area Restrictions Coordinator on public notification.

#### V. Decision Criteria

Fire restrictions and closure require a high degree of coordination between all levels within each agency, county and tribe, between all of the agencies, county governments and tribes in the restriction area, between adjacent restriction areas, and between the restriction areas and the NRCG restrictions coordinator. This coordination must be continuous from the time restrictions are first proposed until cancellation of all restrictions.

The cooperators in the restriction area will continuously monitor weather, fuel conditions and other factors that will indicate when restrictions or closures are warranted. The decision criteria are a combination of all values, not just one or two. The criteria to consider include:

- Interagency initial attack resources within the Lewistown Area at draw-down level
- Availability of adjacent areas' fire resources at or reaching draw-down level
- High number of human-caused fire starts, including industrial operations fires
- Unusually high visitor use
- Adverse fire weather conditions and risks predicted to continue
- Regional preparedness level
- Life safety is jeopardized

When fire managers see that the above-mentioned criteria are being approached, discussions on the need for *restrictions* will begin.

In addition to the above criteria for fire restrictions, the following additional criteria need to be evaluated whenever a *closure* is being considered.

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- Potential for extreme fire behavior
- Potential loss of life or property due to extreme fire conditions
- Stage II restrictions are not effective in reducing the number of human-caused fires
- Interagency resources across the geographic area are at a critical shortage level

When trends indicate the approach of restrictions, Fire Managers from each agency and county will advise their supervisors and Public Information Officers, and alert outlying offices of impending restrictions to provide enough lead time for prevention signing and for public notification. Many small community newspapers are only printed once a week. Their deadlines need to be considered. If at all possible, decisions should be made by Monday at 2 pm if we plan to invoke or cancel restrictions by the weekend, in order to reach the most people. Restrictions should never be implemented during the weekend unless an emergency exists.

If one or more cooperators within the restriction area are considering implementing fire *restrictions*, they will contact the Area Restrictions Coordinator who will call a meeting of all cooperators within the area to talk about the need to start the restriction process. The decision to go into *restrictions* will be coordinated with adjacent restriction areas/agencies. The NRCG will be kept informed.

*Small-scale closures* may be necessary for isolated areas where public and firefighter safety is a concern, such as around an ongoing incident. Agency administrators, tribal chairpersons or county commissioners from the land where the fire is located will make that decision and coordinate with adjacent entities through the Restrictions Coordinator. NRCG will be kept informed throughout the process.

The Geographic Area Administrators through the NRCG will handle *large-scale closures*.

#### VI. Implementation Procedures

The following is a description of the procedures and time frames to be used, and the responsible person to carry out each task. The leaders whose jurisdiction lies within the restriction area will agree when to move into each stage of restriction. They have the flexibility to decide how much of the area needs to be placed under restrictions. Not all of the area needs to move into restrictions at the same time or be in the same restriction stage. However, ideally one agency or county should not go into a different restriction stage or refuse to go in at all unless agreed upon by the other entities in the area. *The public needs to be able to easily understand the location of the areas put into restrictions or closure.*

The final decision to implement fire *restrictions* lies with each agency administrator, tribal leader or county commissioner.

The decision to implement *small-scale closure* lies with the agency administrator, tribal leader or county commissioner or whose land requires the closure. Where more than one jurisdiction is involved, the entities involved will coordinate these closures. The Area Restrictions Coordinator will immediately be informed of the decision and will inform the other cooperators within the restriction area and adjacent agencies and restriction areas. NRCG will be informed of the decision.

Geographic Agency Administrators will implement *large-scale closure* through NRCG.

The time frame for going into each restriction and closure should allow for adequate public and agency notification in order to deal with signing the orders, exemptions, prevention signing, etc. and should be agreed to by all cooperators.

Coordination with adjacent areas and other affected agencies in the restriction area (Disaster and Emergency Services (DES), law enforcement, etc.) that will be impacted is essential. The Area Restrictions Coordinator will notify adjacent restriction areas of the decision in order to coordinate prevention signing and public information.

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Fire prevention signing should be coordinated so the message is in line with the restrictions as they are implemented. Each administering agency, tribe or county will be responsible for signing on the lands over which they have authority to implement restrictions and closures.

After the decision has been made to go into restrictions or closure, all employees of all restriction area cooperators should be notified immediately by their agency. The affected political offices should also be contacted immediately. This will be the responsibility of the DNRC and local government representatives.

The next step is to issue the appropriate special order. To provide for interagency standardization across various ownerships, the wording for the two restriction stages as set forth in the "NRCG Restriction and Closure Procedures" will be used in all restriction orders. (See Appendix C). Each agency, tribe or county shall have orders pre-written with the standardized wording. The agency administrator, tribal leader or county commissioner is responsible for signing the *restriction* orders and *small-scale closure* orders and the NRCG agency administrator or tribal leader is responsible for signing the *large-scale closure* order.

Appendix C contains the standardized wording for the two restriction stages as found in the "NRCG Restriction and Closure Procedures."

News releases will be issued immediately so the public has as much advanced notice as possible, one day at minimum. This is the responsibility of the Media Coordinator. News releases, brochures, public service announcements, etc. will be prewritten and agreed upon by all agencies in the restriction area. The use of a fire information/media team to coordinate restriction press releases could be employed if deemed necessary.

All cooperators in the restrictions area will send a *signed* copy of their restriction orders by FAX or mail to the Area Restrictions Coordinator as soon as they are signed. The orders should include a map or list of developed recreation sites (where campfires are permitted under Stage I). An e-mail copy will be sent immediately. If cooperators go into closure, a list of exemptions will be attached to the Closure Order and sent to the Restrictions Coordinator. The Restrictions Coordinator will inform the restrictions web site manager of implementation of or changes in restriction levels.

**A packet will be sent to each cooperator in the restrictions area consisting of all signed restriction orders with developed recreation sites attached or closure orders with exemptions attached, the news release, and a map showing where the restrictions/closures are located if the entire area is not in the same restriction stage.**

#### VII. Rescission Procedures

**The rescission of fire restrictions or closures will follow the same process identified above in Implementation Procedures. Areas should plan restrictions for the long-term danger and not jump at short fluctuations in risk, weather, and fire danger. When rescinding a Closure Order, enough time should be given to allow for signing of areas that might still need to be closed such as near ongoing fires.**

#### VIII. Communication Plan

Notification of key contacts and the general public concerning the implementation of fire restrictions or closures is essential and should be accomplished immediately so as to avoid confusion. Contacts need to be told why, when, and to what degree they will be affected.

When weather conditions or special circumstances indicate a very high potential for devastating fires to occur, fire restrictions or closure will likely be imposed. When conditions warrant fire restrictions be implemented or changed, each agency, tribal or county representative will advise their decision-makers. All employees should be advised of the situation. The special order will be prepared and signed with enough lead-time to provide proper notifications and make preparations for appropriate prevention signing.

The restrictions and closures website is <http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/fire/nrcg/>. Click on "Restrictions and Closures" for information, maps, what areas are in restrictions, what level, etc.

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Key contacts will be advised in a timely manner about decisions concerning implementation or rescission of restrictions or closure, see Appendix D: Contact List. This can best be handled through group e-mail process.

Each cooperator is responsible for notifying special use permittees and contractors such as outfitters and timber companies doing business on their land. The DNRC will notify state offices and the local government representative will notify county offices.

The general public will be notified through a combination of media news releases, public service announcements, prevention signing, and personal contacts. The Media Coordinator will notify all surrounding media outlets to solicit their help in notification of the public about the current situation.

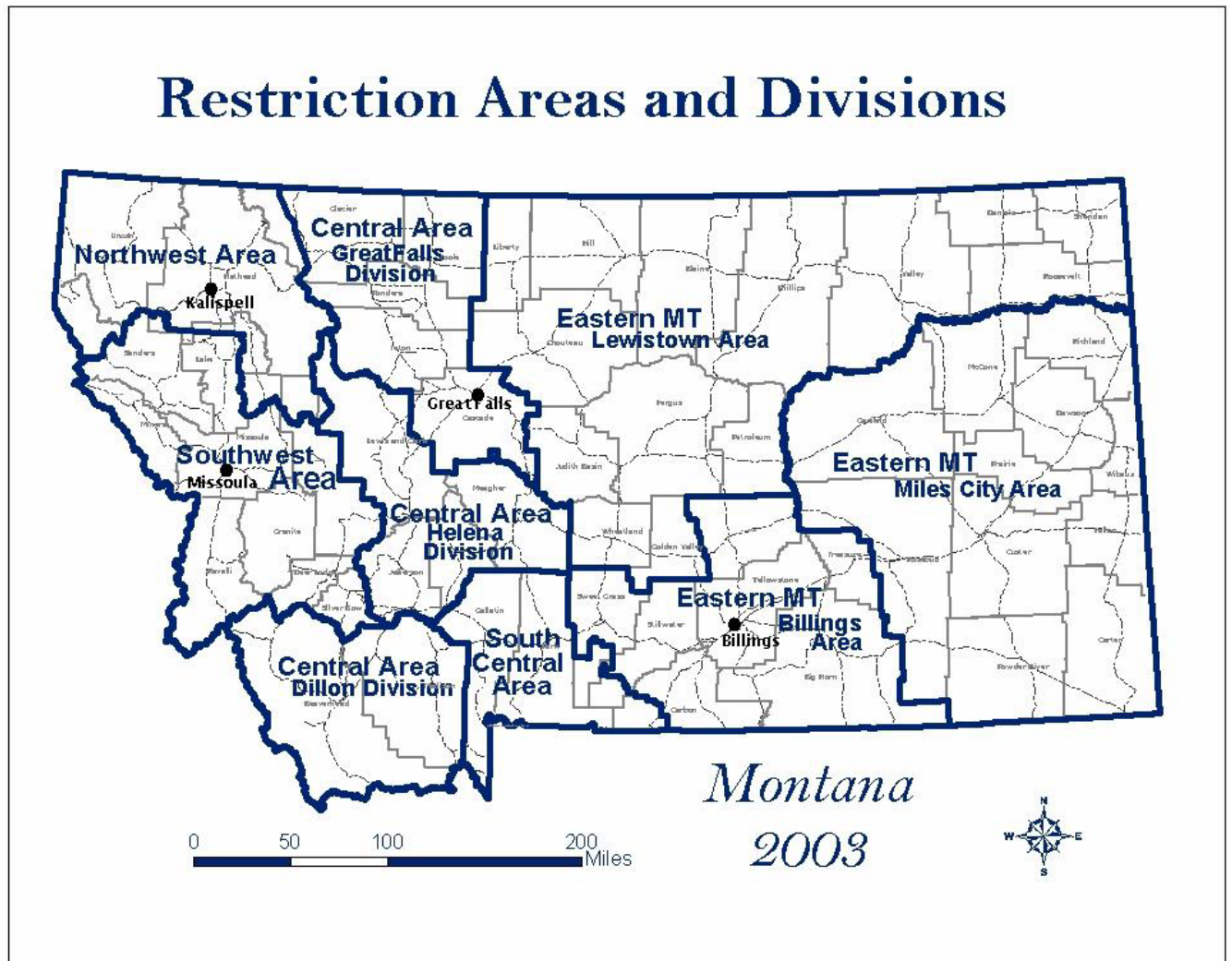
The Media Coordinator will have all press releases available in template format before the start of the fire season. Press releases will be sent to all cooperators for approval before they are sent to the media. Only one press release will be written for the Lewistown Area.

All press releases will go through the Media Coordinator unless other arrangements have been made ahead of time.

See Appendix E for the Media Contact List. This list will be reviewed each year and updated as contacts change.

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**Montana Restriction Areas and Divisions**

(Note: Liberty County now is part of the Central Area)

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**NORTHERN ROCKIES COORDINATING GROUP AND LEWISTOWN RESTRICTION AREA  
LEADERS/REPRESENTATIVES**

**NORTHERN ROCKIES COORDINATING GROUP AGENCY ADMINISTRATORS**

<b>AGENCY/TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR</b>	<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>
Abigail Kimbell, Regional Forester	Region 1, U.S. Forest Service	329-3311
Bob Harrington, State Forester	MT Dept of Natural Resources and Cons.	542-4200
Keith Beartusk, Director	Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rocky Mtn. Reg.	247-7946
Phil Street, Fire Management Director	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	303-236-8015 x 676
Marty Ott, State Director	Bureau of Land Management	896-5003
Jim Greene, State Administrator	Montana Dept. of Emergency Services	841-3911, 800-426-9440

**LEWISTOWN RESTRICTION AREA  
AGENCY ADMINISTRATORS, TRIBAL LEADERS AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

<b>AGENCY/TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR</b>	<b>AGENCY/TRIBE</b>	<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>
Clive Rooney, Area Manager	Northeastern Land Office, DNRC	538-7789
Lead Agency Administrator		
Alternate: Mike Hedrick	C.M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, FWS	538-8706 x 221
Spike Thompson, Forest Supervisor	Lewis and Clark National Forest	791-7720
Sandy Brooks, Field Manager	Billings Field Office	896-5013
Mike Stewart, Acting Field Manager	Lewistown Field Office, BLM	538-1944
Dave McIlhenny, Field Manager	Miles City Field Office, BLM	233-2827
Mark Albers, Field Manager	Malta Field Office, BLM	654-5113
Clay Gregory, Natural Resource Officer	Rocky Mountain Regional Office, BIA	247-7946
Mike Hedrick, Refuge Manager	C.M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, FWS	538-8706 x 221
Mike Aderhold, Supervisor	Region 4, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks	454-5846
Harvey Nyberg, Supervisor	Region 5, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks	247-2940
Jim Satterfield, Supervisor	Region 6, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks	228-3704
Darrel Martin, Tribal Council	Fort Belknap Indian Reservation	353-8302
Ray K. Eder, Tribal Council	Fort Peck Indian Reservation	768-5155
Tony Belcourt, Tribal Council	Chippewa-Cree Tribe (Rocky Boy Resv'n)	395-4478
Don Swenson, Chair	Blaine County Commission	357-3250
Kenneth R. Evans, Chair	Choteau County Commission	622-3631 x 3203
Betty Hagfeldt, Chair	Daniels County Commission	487-5561
Vernon Petersen, Chair	Fergus County Commission	538-5119
Joan Krause, Chair	Golden Valley County Commission	568-2231
Patrick Conway, Chair	Hill County Commission	265-5481 x 227
Richard Cervenka, Chair	Judith Basin County Commission	566-2277
Lee Iverson, Chair	Petroleum County Commission	429-5311
Carol Kienenberger, Chair	Phillips County Commission	654-2429
Ferris Toavs, Chair	Roosevelt County Commission	653-6246
Bill Nyby, Chair	Sheridan County Commission	765-1660
David Reinhardt, Chair	Valley County Commission	228-6219
David Miller, Chair	Wheatland County Commission	632-4891 x 13



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**LEWISTOWN RESTRICTION AREA**  
**AGENCY/COUNTY/TRIBAL REPRESENTATIVES**

<b>AGENCY/COUNTY/TRIBAL REPRESENTATIVE</b>	<b>AGENCY/COUNTY/TRIBE</b>	<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	<b>CELL NUMBER</b>
Shannon Iverson, Fire Mitigation Spec. Lewistown Area Restrictions Coordinator Alternate: Fonda Knox	Central Montana Zone, BLM	538-1989 538-1977	350-0218 350-0373
Craig Flentie, Area Media Coordinator Alternate: Ann Boucher	Lewistown Field Office, BLM	538-1943 896-5011	
Lee Clark, Fire Management Officer	Lewis and Clark National Forest	791-7718	
Mitch Maycox, Fire Management Officer	Central Montana Zone, BLM	538-1986	350-0370
Dave Overcast, Fire Management Officer	Eastern Montana Zone, BLM	233-2902	
Tom Corbin, Fire Management Officer	Rocky Mountain Regional Office, BIA	247-7949	
Mike Granger, Fire Management Officer	C.M. Russell Nat. Wildlife Refuge, FWS	538-8706 x 224	366-1760
Jerry Burhe, Fire Program Manager	Northeastern Land Office, DNRC	538-7789	366-1256
Mark Gruener, District Representative	Montana DES	538-6166	366-1835
Ed Gierke, District Representative	Montana DES	271-3741	450-1998
Mike Longknife, Fire Management Officer	Fort Belknap Reservation	353-4874	
Russ Mail, Fire Management Officer	Fort Peck Agency	768-3666	
Emery Nault, Fire Management Officer	Chippewa-Cree Tribe	395-4207	
Craig Hansen, Fire Warden	Blaine County	357-3691	
Doug Williams, Fire Warden	Choteau County	622-5451	
Don Hammar, Fire Warden	Daniels County	487-2865	
Tom Killham, Fire Warden	Fergus County	538-3415	
Floyd Fisher, Fire Warden	Golden Valley County	568-2321	
Clay Vincent, Fire Warden	Hill County	265-5481	
Steve Hedstrom, Fire Warden	Judith Basin County	738-4332	
Dave Grantier, Fire Warden	Petroleum County	429-5291	
Clark Kelly, Fire Warden	Phillips County	654-2087	
Alan Aspenliender, Fire Warden	Roosevelt County	587-5773	653-6205
Curtis Petrik, Fire Warden	Sheridan County	765-2970	
Dan Carney, Fire Warden	Valley County	228-8038	
Harry Klock, Fire Warden	Wheatland County	632-4139	

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**Sub – Appendix C**  
**Standardized Wording for Restriction Stages**

**To provide for interagency standardization across various ownerships, the following criteria will be used in all restriction documents.**

**Montana State Fire Season (May 1 through September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

Implement and enforce the State of Montana Fire Rules and Regulations.

**Stage I Restrictions: The following acts are prohibited until further notice.**

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire except within a developed recreation site, or improved site.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

**Stage I Exemptions:**

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG.
3. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
4. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
5. All land within a city boundary is exempted.
6. Other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe.

**An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.**

**Stage II Restrictions: The following acts are prohibited until further notice.**

1. Building maintaining, attending, or using a campfire.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
3. Operating motorized vehicles off designated roads and trails.
4. The following acts are prohibited from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.:
  - a. Operating any internal combustion engine.
  - b. Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame.
  - c. Using an explosive.

A patrol is required for two hours following cessation of all work as described above.

**Stage II Exemptions:**

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using a fire fueled solely by liquid petroleum or LPG.
3. Operating motorized vehicles on designated roads and trails.
4. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
5. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
6. All land within a city boundary is exempted.
7. Other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe.

**An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.**

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#### **Additional Stage II Exemptions Specific to the Lewistown Restrictions Area:**

Operations for the following classes of activities and industries that require travel off designated roads, or operating equipment powered by an internal combustion engine or other activities are allowed, as long as the mitigation measures described below are met.

- a. Farming and ranching operations, including:
  - agricultural harvest, planting, and tilling;
  - care of livestock (feeding, tending, watering or moving);
  - routine fence and other maintenance.
- b. Utilities, communications and cable television operations, including:
  - emergency repairs;
  - routine maintenance of distribution lines, transmission lines and rights-of-way.
- c. Oil and gas operations
  - emergency repairs;
  - routine maintenance and operations.
- d. Open cut mining (sand and gravel) and mine rehab operations
  - emergency repairs;
  - routine maintenance and operations.

**Operations that are not covered under an exemption listed above may be granted an individual exemption permit by the agency having jurisdiction on a case by case basis. All new construction occurring outside of a developed area requires an individual exemption permit.**

#### **Required Mitigation Measures:**

1. All vehicles operating under these exemptions must have:
  - a sound, functional exhaust system and/or spark arrestor;
  - a fire extinguisher, minimum class 4BC rating and 2½ pounds;
  - at least 4 gallons of water available, with a minimum of a two-gallon container capable of being pressurized with a hand pump, or one five-gallon backpack pump;
  - one fire fighting tool per person (#0 shovel or Pulaski).
2. All equipment powered by an internal combustion engine must be equipped with a spark arrestor. A patrol is required at the worksite for one hour following cessation of all work.
3. All surface blasting, welding and grinding will occur **only** between 1:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Additional requirements include:
  - a spark shield surrounding the entire area;
  - a patrol is required at the worksite for one hour following cessation of all work.
4. For any work involving welding, blasting or grinding, or equipment powered by an internal combustion engine, the following fire fighting equipment, at a minimum, must be present on site at all times:
  - at least 4 gallons of water available, with a minimum of a two-gallon container capable of being pressurized with a hand pump, or one five-gallon backpack pump
  - one fire fighting tool per person (#0 shovel or Pulaski)

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**Recommended Mitigation Measures:**

1. When practical, all activities covered under these exemptions should be limited to the hours between 1:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
2. For agricultural harvest, the following is recommended to be at the worksite at all times:
  - a truck or trailer with 100-gallon capacity water tank and 10 gpm pump with hose;
  - a tractor with tillage equipment attached for emergency line construction.

**MONTANA STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT ANYONE WHO CAUSES A WILDLAND FIRE WILL BE FINANCIALLY LIABLE FOR DAMAGES AND SUPPRESSIONS COSTS.**

**STANDARDIZED WORDING FOR SMALL-SCALE CLOSURE**

The following acts are prohibited:

Going into or being upon the following described areas without a written permit; except no permit shall be required of any actual residents going to or from their home, or for persons traveling on paved and numbered highways or occupying designated improved campgrounds immediately adjacent to such highways, or for any Federal, State, or local official, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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### Lewistown Restriction Area Contact List

Agency	Name	Address	Phone	Cell	FAX	Email
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Lewistown Area Restrictions Coordinator Alternate Restrictions Coordinator	Shannon Iverson Fonda Knox	P.O. Box 1160, Lewistown, MT 59457	538-1989 538-1977	350-0218 350-0373	538-8200	<a href="mailto:shannon_iverson@blm.gov">shannon_iverson@blm.gov</a> <a href="mailto:fonda_knox@blm.gov">fonda_knox@blm.gov</a>
Lewistown Area Media Coordinator Alternate Media Coordinator	Craig Flentie Ann Boucher	P.O. Box 1160, Lewistown, MT 59457 P.O. Box 36800, Billings, MT 59107	538-1943 896-5011		538-1904 896-5255	<a href="mailto:craig_flentie@blm.gov">craig_flentie@blm.gov</a>
BLM, State Fire Mitigation Specialist	Mike Dannenberg	1371 Rimtop Dr., Billings, MT 59105	896-2913	861-0958	896-2950	<a href="mailto:mike_dannenberg@blm.gov">mike_dannenberg@blm.gov</a>
BLM, Lewistown Field Manager BLM, Central Zone FMO	Mike Stewart Mitch Maycox	P.O. Box 1160, Lewistown, MT 59457	538-1944 538-1986	350-0370	538-1904 538-8200	<a href="mailto:mike_stewart@mt.blm.gov">mike_stewart@mt.blm.gov</a> <a href="mailto:mmaycox@mt.blm.gov">mmaycox@mt.blm.gov</a>
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BLM, Miles City Field Manager BLM, East Zone FMO	Dave McIlnay Dave Overcast	111 Garryowen Rd, Miles City, MT 59301	233-2827 233-2902		233-2921	<a href="mailto:david_mcilnay@blm.gov">david_mcilnay@blm.gov</a> <a href="mailto:david_overcast@blm.gov">david_overcast@blm.gov</a>
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